

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : KITAMURA
Serial No. : 10/528,199
Confirm. No. : 7023
Filed : March 15, 2005
For : HINGE DEVICE
Art Unit : 4112
Examiner : Jeffrey D. O'Brien
Dated : May 9, 2008

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 (a)

Sir:

The Office Action dated December 10, 2007 provided for a shortened statutory period for response of three months.

The shortened statutory period expired March 10, 2008.

Since the attached response is being filed within the second month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to charge the appropriate petition fee of \$460.00 (fee code 1252).

Respectfully submitted
for Applicant(s),



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SHOULD ANY OTHER FEE BE REQUIRED, THE PATENT AND
TRADEMARK OFFICE IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO CHARGE SUCH FEE TO
OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 13-0410.